



# St Peter's Instrumental Program 2019

## For children in Years 2 - 6



We are seeking expressions of interest from families who are keen for their child / children to learn a musical instrument in 2019. We have a thriving Instrumental Program at St Peter's which is producing award winning instrumentalists, bands, ensembles and music scholarship winners.

Children involved in this program develop a keen interest in music and accelerated musicianship skills. Research also suggests that learning an instrument from a young age improves overall academic performance, social skills and self-confidence!

### Lessons

Lessons are conducted by a qualified music teacher. The GROUP lessons are 30 minutes long and cost \$15.00. INDIVIDUAL lessons are also available by arrangement. All instrumental teachers are graduates of the Conservatorium of Music and have Working with Children checks and Police Clearances.

### Instruments

In 2019 we are offering tuition in the following instruments:

- Flute (Years 4-6)
- Clarinet (Years 4-6)
- Alto Saxophone (Years 4-6)
- Trumpet (Years 4-6)
- Baritone [low brass] (Years 4-6)
- Trombone (Years 4-6)
- Guitar (Years 3-6) – limited places for 2019
- Violin / Viola (Years 2-6) – Apologies, NO places available in 2019



### Concert Band, Guitar Ensemble, String Ensemble

Once the children's instrumental skills have progressed to a sufficient level, they will be invited to join one of our award-winning ensembles. Receiving an invitation to join an ensemble is quite prestigious and the children are highly motivated by this. The ensembles enjoy a number of performance opportunities throughout the year including the Catholic Schools' Performing Arts Festival as well as the Christmas Concert. Playing in an ensemble greatly accelerates children's musicianship and facility on their instrument. They are also able to apply the technical skills they learn during their lessons to new repertoire and performance situations. Children learn the value of teamwork and achieving goals with their peers. They also learn to listen and have lots of fun in the process.

### HOW TO GET STARTED:

- We recommend you research the instruments listed above with your child. Help your child choose their FIRST and SECOND PREFERENCES and email your 'Expression of Interest' with preferences to [marina.powell@cewa.edu.au](mailto:marina.powell@cewa.edu.au)
- We'll be in touch shortly to confirm a place and which of your chosen instruments is preferred for the 2019 Program.
- **Please note, places in this program are limited and children will be screened for aptitude and suitability.**
- Parents are responsible for covering the costs of the lessons and instrument hire.
- We strongly recommend hiring Yamaha woodwind & brass instruments. Please avoid Martin or Aldi brand woodwind and brass instruments as we have experienced problems with these in the past. To avoid disappointment, please consult Mrs Powell or Mr Parry before purchasing any instruments.

